



The Dying Speech and Confession Life, Character, and Behaviour, OF THE UNFORTUNATE

MALEFACTORS,

Executed this Day before the Debtors Door, *Newgate.*

ON Friday the Recorder made his report to the King and Privy Council, of the convicts under sentence of death in Newgate, when the following were ordered for execution, viz.

Lyon Hart, Emanuel Marks, and Andrew Haikes, the two former of whom were Jews, for robbing Mr. Baston, near Whitechapel, of his hat and two shillings.

Early in the evening they committed the robbery, and then went to Petticoat Lane, their usual haunt, to perpetrate further crimes.

Mr. Baston, tho' cut by them in a dangerous manner, got assistance, and they were secured the same evening.

Young in years, they were notwithstanding old offenders, and had long been a terror to the neighbourhood of Whitechapel.

The Jews were attended, during their condemnation, by a rabbi of their own religion.

Haikes, their fellow criminal, by a protestant clergyman.

They were all three little better than boys.

John Fletcher and Matthew Crutchfield, were cast upon two separate indictments, for highway robberies, and had several other charges of a similar nature, which, had it been necessary, would have been brought against them.

Notwithstanding their conviction, and the number of robberies they had committed, they vainly buoyed themselves up with the hopes of receiving mercy, and were therefore much shocked, when ordered for execution.

In earnest they then prepared for their dissolution.

These unhappy criminals were young men in the prime of life, and had both received a decent education, by the care and industry of their parents, who were creditable tradesmen.

Gaming, idleness, and the company of bad women, they declared was the cause of their coming to so miserable an end.

Such wicked courses they desired all young men would shun; and declared, that tho' they got a great deal of money by robbing on the highway, it never did them any good, but was soon squandered away at the gaming table, and upon loose women.

They declared, that from their first going out to rob, they never enjoyed a moment's peace.

The night before they suffered, the St. Pulchre's bellman came into the press yard, at nine o'clock, and after ringing his bell, pronounced the admonition verses, reminding them of their dreadful situation, and exhorting them to watch and pray, that they might obtain forgiveness of their sins.

The fatal day being come, on which they were to undergo their dreadful sentence, at five o'clock the doors of their cells were unlocked, and they then went up to the chapel, where they joined in prayers and supplications to the divine Majesty, and received the sacrament. They were then summoned to their fate, and came down into the press yard, where their irons being knocked off, they were brought out of Newgate, tied to the fatal beam, and after praying with the clergyman in a devout and penitent manner, the caps were pulled over their eyes, and they were turned